

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
AIR RESOURCES DIVISION
CONCORD, NH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

In accordance with RSA 541-A:19-a, III, notice is hereby given that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division, will hold a public hearing on three proposed new chapters to the NH Code of Administrative Rules on **Wednesday, February 4, 2009**. The hearing will be held in rooms 111 and 112, first floor of the offices of the Department of Environmental Services, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH.

Beginning at **1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2009** the Department will receive testimony from the public concerning proposed new **Chapter Env-A 4600 Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) Budget Trading Program, Chapter Env-A 4700 CO₂ Offset Projects, and Chapter Env-A 4800 CO₂ Allowance Auction Program**. Env-A 4600, Env-A 4700, and Env-A 4800, combined, set forth requirements for implementation of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) in New Hampshire. RGGI is a cooperative effort by participating states to reduce emissions of CO₂, a greenhouse gas that causes global warming. The Department is proposing to adopt Env-A 4600, Env-A 4700, and Env-A 4800 in accordance with amendments to RSA 125-O, which became effective June 11, 2008.

Testimony may be presented orally and/or in writing at the public hearing. The Department also will receive written comments on the proposed rules until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2009. Please submit written comments to Joe Fontaine, Program Manager, Technical Services Bureau, Air Resources Division, NH Department of Environmental Services, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095, Fax (603) 271-1381, or e-mail joseph.fontaine@des.nh.gov.

Copies of all documentation pertaining to rulemakings for all air rules are available for inspection at the offices of the Air Resources Division at the address stated above. Questions regarding the proposed rulemakings should be directed to Joe Fontaine at (603) 271-6794.

Thomas S. Burack
Commissioner
NH Department of Environmental Services

Dated: December 26, 2008